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8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
9 SOUTHERN DIVISION

10 ENTROPIC COMMUNICATIONS, LLC, §
11 Plaintiff, §

12 v. §

13 DISH NETWORK CORPORATION, et §
al., §
14 Defendants. §

15 ENTROPIC COMMUNICATIONS, LLC, §
16 Plaintiff, §

17 v. §

18 COX COMMUNICATIONS, INC., et al., §
19 Defendants. §
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Case No. 2:23-cv-01043-JWH-KES
LEAD CASE

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Hon. John W. Holcomb
Special Master David M. Keyzer

SPECIAL MASTER ORDER
No. SM-18

Pursuant to the Court's July 5, 2023 Order Appointing David Keyzer, Esq. as Special Master for Discovery Purposes (Civil Action No. 2:23-cv-1043 ("-1043"), Dkt. 74; Civil Action No. 2:23-cv-1049 ("-1049"), Dkt. 62), and further pursuant to the Court's referral of specific motions (-1043, Dkt. 343, Feb. 9, 2024 Order; -1043, Dkt. 431, Mar. 26, 2024 Order), and e-mail correspondence between the Special Master and counsel for all involved parties on at least March 18, 19, and 20, 2024 (as to the motion regarding Defendants' invalidity contentions), March 18, 19, and 20, 2024 (as to the motions referred to the Special Master by the Court on February 9, 2024), and March 26, 2024 (as to the motions referred to the Special Master by the Court on March 26, 2024), the Special Master hereby:

SETS a hearing for April 11, 2024, at 9:45 A.M. Pacific Time, by
videoconference, regarding:

MaxLinear's Motion to Dismiss Amended Counterclaims of Cox Communications, Inc., CoxCom, LLC, and Cox Communications California LLC (-1043, Dkt. 320 (redacted), Dkt. 335 (sealed)), Cox's opposition (Dkt. 385 (redacted); Dkt. 384-1 (sealed)), and MaxLinear's reply (Dkt. 407 (redacted); Dkt. 426 (sealed));

Entropic's Motion to Dismiss Cox Defendants' Amended Counterclaims Pursuant to Rule 12(b)(6) (-1043, Dkt. 327 (redacted); Dkt. 336 (sealed)), Cox's opposition (Dkt. 381 (redacted); Dkt. 380-1 (sealed)), and Entropic's reply (Dkt. 415 (redacted); Dkt. 425 (sealed));

MaxLinear's Motion to Dismiss Amended Counterclaims of Cox Communications, Inc., CoxCom, LLC, and Cox Communications California LLC (-1049, Dkt. 219 (redacted); Dkt. 235 (sealed)), Cox's opposition (Dkt. 271 (redacted); Dkt. 267-1 (sealed)), and MaxLinear's reply (Dkt. 282 (redacted); Dkt. 287 (sealed));

1 Entropic's Motion to Dismiss Cox Defendants' Amended Counterclaims
2 Pursuant to Rule 12(b)(6) (-1049, Dkt. 226 (redacted); Dkt. 234 (sealed)),
3 Cox's opposition (Dkt. 272 (redacted); Dkt. 270-1 (sealed)), and Entropic's
reply (Dkt. 283);

4 Maxlinear, Inc. and Maxlinear Communications LLC's Notice of Motion
5 and Motion to Dismiss (1) Amended Counterclaims by DISH Network
6 California Service Corporation; and (2) Counterclaims by DISH Network
7 Corporation, DISH Network L.L.C., DISH Network Service L.L.C., and
DISH Technologies, L.L.C. (-1043, Dkt. 357 (redacted); Dkt. 371 (sealed)),
the DISH Defendants' opposition (Dkt. 389), and MaxLinear's reply (Dkt.
411 (redacted); Dkt. 427 (sealed));

8 Entropic's Motion to Dismiss DISH's Counterclaims Pursuant to Rule
9 12(b)(6) (-1043, Dkt. 361 (redacted); Dkt. 363-1 (sealed)), the DISH
10 Defendants' opposition (Dkt. 395 (redacted); Dkt. 403 (sealed)), and
Entropic's reply (Dkt. 420-1 (sealed)); and

11 Entropic's March 13, 2024 discovery motion challenging the sufficiency of
the invalidity contentions served by DISH, Cox, Comcast, and DIRECTV.

12 Counsel presenting oral arguments shall appear by video. Other counsel and other
13 attendees (such as client representatives) that do not present oral arguments may attend
14 either with or without video. Attendees shall mute their microphones when they are not
15 presenting oral arguments or are not otherwise actively participating at a particular time.

16 The parties shall confer and select a Reporter, and the cost of reporting and of
17 ordering transcripts shall be apportioned equally between Plaintiff(s) (one half) and
18 Defendant(s) (one half). The parties shall provide the Reporter's contact information to
19 the Special Master **no later than 5:00 P.M. Pacific Time the day before the hearing.**
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1 The parties shall provide the Special Master and the Reporter with a list of
2 expected participants **no later than 5:00 P.M. Pacific Time the day before the hearing.**

3 This list shall be submitted by e-mail and shall indicate each name together with e-mail
4 address and status as counsel, client representative, or other relevant affiliation.

5 Each party shall provide all other parties, the Reporter, and the Special Master with
6 an electronic copy of any demonstrative presentation slides that the party intends to use
7 during the hearing **no later than 5:00 P.M. Pacific Time the day before the hearing.**

8 Such demonstrative presentation slides that are not designated as confidential shall also
9 be filed in PDF form on the Court's docket as an attachment to a Notice (slides
10 designated as confidential shall be provided only by e-mail to all other parties, the
11 Reporter, and the Special Master). The parties should not attempt any video screen
12 sharing or other presentation of demonstratives during the hearing but rather should refer
13 to the electronic copies that have been distributed by the parties prior to the hearing.

14 Use of a headset, earbuds, or a combination of a microphone and headphones
15 (rather than using any external speakers) is strongly encouraged so as to minimize
16 feedback, room echoes, and other audio interruptions that might otherwise be a
17 significant impediment to the Special Master in conducting the hearing, to opposing
18 counsel in responding to arguments, and to the Reporter in producing a clear record.

19 Zoom information for this hearing is as follows:
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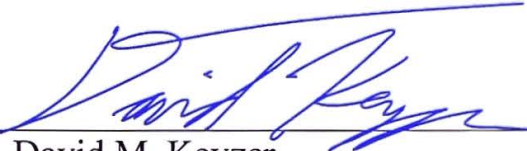
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IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated:

March 29, 2024

By:



David M. Keyzer
Special Master